



January 11, 2018

Karen Mitchoff  
Contra Costa County Supervisor  
2151 Salvio Street, Suite R  
Concord, CA 94520

Dear Chairwoman Mitchoff,

I write to express my strong support for Contra Costa County's participation in the California Department of Technology's (CDT) application for the Department of Transportation UAS Integration Pilot Program. The UAS Integration Pilot Program will be vital for enabling the growth potential of the drone economy. Through its participation in this program, Contra Costa County has an opportunity to be at the forefront of an innovative and emerging industry that will bring economic benefits and jobs.

Contra Costa County is an ideal testing ground for the UAS Integration Pilot program, with a mix of rural, suburban, and urban environments, as well as the Byron Airport and Buchanan Field. The CDT application includes parties with the expertise and past experience to conduct aerial surveys of infrastructure, assist in emergency response, and deliver commercial packages. The application provides opportunities for public-private partnerships that will improve public safety, create jobs, and lead to the more efficient use of transportation infrastructure.

The program would also be consistent with the County's strategy of embracing innovative technologies, exemplified by the GoMentum Station. Allowing drone testing will further connect Contra Costa County to technology companies in the greater Bay Area.

I applaud the Board's leadership in pursuing this pilot program, particularly Supervisor Diane Burgis, and I encourage the Board to ratify the County's letter of intent.

Sincerely,

Ron Bernal  
City Manager

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January 12, 2018

Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors  
District IV Supervisor Karen Mitchoff  
2151 Salvio Street, Suite R  
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VIA EMAIL

Dear Chairwoman Mitchoff,

RE: Department of Transportation UAS Integration Pilot Program

I write to express the City of Brentwood's strong support for Contra Costa County's participation in the California Department of Technology's (CDT) application for the Department of Transportation UAS Integration Pilot Program. The UAS Integration Pilot Program will be vital for enabling the growth potential of the drone economy. Through its participation in this program, Contra Costa County has an opportunity to be at the forefront of an innovative and emerging industry that will bring economic benefits and jobs to this region.

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The program would also be consistent with the County's strategy of embracing innovative technologies, exemplified by the GoMentum Station. Allowing drone testing will further connect Contra Costa County to technology companies in the greater Bay Area.

The City of Brentwood applauds the Board's leadership in pursuing this pilot program and we look forward to working with the County and particularly Supervisor Diane Burgis in District 3 on this exciting opportunity. The City of Brentwood encourages the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors to ratify the County's letter of intent.

Sincerely,



Gustavo "Gus" Vina  
City Manager

cc: Brentwood City Council  
Contra Costa County Supervisor Diane Burgis

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January 11, 2018

The Honorable Karen Mitchoff  
Chair, Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors  
2151 Salvio Street, Suite R  
Concord, CA 94520

Dear Chair Mitchoff:

On behalf of the East Bay Leadership Council, I write to express my strong support for Contra Costa County's participation in the California Department of Technology's (CDT) application for the U.S. Department of Transportation's Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Integration Pilot Program. The UAS Integration Pilot Program will be vital for enabling the growth potential of the drone economy. Through its participation in this program, Contra Costa County has an opportunity to be at the forefront of an innovative and emerging industry with a strong potential to create jobs and other economic benefits.

Contra Costa County is an ideal testing ground for the UAS Integration Pilot program, with a mix of rural, suburban, and urban environments, as well as the Byron Airport and Buchanan Field. The CDT application includes parties with the expertise and experience to conduct aerial surveys of infrastructure, assist in emergency response, and deliver commercial packages. The application provides opportunities for public-private partnerships that will improve public safety, create jobs, and lead to the more efficient use of transportation infrastructure.

The program would also be consistent with the County's strategy of embracing innovative technologies. Allowing drone testing will further connect Contra Costa County to technology companies in the greater Bay Area.

EBLC applauds the Board's leadership in pursuing this pilot program, especially that of Supervisor Diane Burgis who initially contacted us about it, and we encourage the Board to ratify the County's letter of intent.

Sincerely,

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Kristin Connelly  
President & CEO



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January 12, 2018

Karen Mitchoff, Chair  
Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors  
2151 Salvio Street, Suite R  
Concord, CA 94520

Dear Chairwoman Mitchoff,

I write to express my support for Contra Costa County's participation in the California Department of Technology's (CDT) application for the Federal Aviation Authority's Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Integration Pilot Program. The UAS initiative will shape the federal regulatory framework that balances the benefits of UAS technology with lessening the risks to public safety and security. If CDT's public-private consortium is selected, Contra Costa County has an opportunity to be at the forefront of an innovative and emerging industry that will bring economic benefits and jobs.

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I applaud the Board's leadership in pursuing this pilot program, particularly Supervisor Diane Burgis, and encourage the Board to ratify the County's letter of intent.

Sincerely,

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January 12, 2018

Honorable Karen Mitchoff  
Chair  
Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors  
651 Pine Street, Room 107  
Martinez, CA 94553

Dear Supervisor Mitchoff:

I am writing regarding Contra Costa County's consideration of participating in the California Department of Technology's (CDT) application for the Department of Transportation UAS Integration Pilot Program. The UAS Integration Pilot Program is vital for enabling the growth potential of the drone economy.

It is my understanding that the CDT application includes parties with the expertise and past experience to conduct aerial surveys of infrastructure, assist in emergency response, and deliver commercial packages. The application could provide opportunities for public-private partnerships that will improve public safety, create jobs, and lead to the more efficient use of transportation infrastructure. It also has the potential to further connect Contra Costa County to technology companies in the greater Bay Area, harnessing their resources to expand economic benefits and opportunities.

Promoting economic development through technological innovation in the Ninth Congressional District is an important priority, and I have consistently supported and advocated for these advancements. Should Contra Costa County choose to join the CDT's application for the U. S. Department of Transportation UAS Integration Pilot Program, I will support that application in any way I can consistent with the rules that govern my office.

Sincerely,

Jerry McNerney  
Member of Congress